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Santa comes to town in lighted parade during WinterFest

Santa Claus is scheduled to come to Belleville riding on a fire engine during Saturday's lighted WinterFest Parade that kicks off at 6 p.m. from Belleville High School.

The parade makes its way down West Columbia Avenue to Five Points and then up Main Street to the museum.

Santa will be presented with the Key to the City at the reviewing stand next to the museum, light the city Christmas tree in front of the museum, and then meet with children at First United Methodist Church to hear their requests.

Also, after the parade, the real meaning of Christmas will be presented on the lawn of the Methodist Church with a live Nativity Scene.

Then, at 7:30 p.m., fireworks will be shot off from the Denton Road bridge and at 9 p.m. a live band, Killer Flamingos, will be playing under the tent at the Fourth Street Square.

The WinterFest celebration Thursday

mParks-Michigan names VBT Splash Park tops in design for 2020

Lisa Lothringer, Assistant Director of the Van Buren Township Downtown Development Authority, has been informed that the project she directed -- the Quirk Park Splashpad -- has been named the 2020 Park Design Award Winner by the Michigan Recreation and Park Association (mParks).

The formal award presentation is scheduled for Jan. 31 during the closing session of the 2020 mParks Conference and Trade Show at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi. Lothringer will accept the award on behalf of the VBT DDA.

The mParks honors exemplary park and recreation professionals and citizen advocates. The annual design award is

through Sunday is sponsored by the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce and will start out with Pop-Up Shops on Main Street on Thursday, Free Movie Night at 5, 7:30, and 10 p.m. under the tent on the Fourth Street Square on Friday, and a full day of activities on Saturday.

Saturday starts out early with the Jingle Bell Run and Pancake Breakfast, Kids Crafts, Animal Magic and the Soup Crawl. On Sunday, there will be crafts under the tent.

Van Buren Township Holiday Arts & Craft Show, Senior Bake Sale

Saturday is also a big day at the Van Buren Township Hall on Tyler Road when Parks and Recreation puts on its annual Holiday Arts and Craft Sale from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. with 40 vendors selling hand-made items. There is free entry and plenty of parking.

Also, the VBT Senior Center Bake Sale will begin at 9 a.m. and close when all of the homemade baked goods are gone.

presented to mParks agency members in honor of outstanding landscape design, facility or architectural design, and park design. Awards are also given in Organization, Marketing, Individual and Therapeutic Recreation.

The \$1.150 million splash pad, playground, and memorial garden was completed in 70 working days last summer by Davenport Brothers Construction of Belleville.

Although it was only open for a few weeks before it was closed for the season, it became a destination for children before school opened. It is scheduled to be open from Memorial Day to Labor Day each

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Photo courtesy of Richard Smith

On Friday afternoon, Nov. 29, Belleville Fire Fighters, with mutual aid from Van Buren Township Fire Department, put out a fire that burned a garage with one-year-old Ford Explorer inside at the corner of Bedell Street and E. Huron River Drive. A propane heater left running unattended in the garage may have been the cause of the fire, according to witnesses, but the insurance company was scheduled to come in on Tuesday to investigate the cause.

Car crashes into Menards' pond after driver veers off road

A 90-year-old driver from Grosse Ile Township was pulled out of his car in the retention pond at Menards on Belleville Road at about 3:48 p.m., Friday, Nov. 22.

Van Buren Township Public Safety Director Greg Laurain said his department and Huron Valley Ambulance responded to the area of Belleville Road, south of Tyler near Menards, to investigate an unknown single-motor vehicle accident.

The preliminary investigation conducted by the VBT Police Department revealed that the male driver was traveling southbound on Belleville Road, when he ran off the roadway, struck a light pole and fire hydrant, and continued to travel in a southwest direction across an open field, before crashing into the pond.

The VBT Fire Department was able to remove the driver from the sinking vehicle before it completely submerged. The driver of the vehicle was treated at the scene and transported to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital by HVA where he was listed in critical condition and later died.

The VBT Public Safety Department

Accident Investigation Team and Dive Rescue Team were called to the scene to evaluate the submerged vehicle, conduct a follow-up investigation, record accident data, and secure physical evidence.

Due to numerous safety concerns and recovery operation logistics, recovering the submerged vehicle was postponed until daylight hours on Nov. 23.

Living Nativity: 'True Meaning of Christmas' presented by Methodists

On Saturday, immediately following the 6 p.m. lighted Christmas Parade in Belleville, members of First United Methodist Church invite the public to come over to the church to enjoy the "True Meaning of Christmas."

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Scarecrow awards



Gathering to award the Youth Groups / Organizations category to Tyler Elementary School were, from left, Councilman Jesse Marcotte, Mayor Kerreen Conley, Councilman Tom Fielder, Sadie Schultz from Tyler, Tyler Principal Aleisa Pitt, Christine Roperti from Tyler, and Councilman Jack Loria.

Brian A. Oakley appointed new chief judge at 34th Dist. Court

On Nov. 22, 34th District Court Judge Brian A. Oakley was appointed chief judge of the court by the Michigan Supreme Court for the two-year period commencing Jan. 1.

The appointment of chief judges for the whole state was issued in one order. Judge Oakley was first elected in 1998 and has been serving as judge for 21 years.

Judge Oakley will take over from Judge Tina Brooks Green who has been chief

judge for 25 years, since her election in 1994.



Judge Green told the *Independent* earlier this year that she was asking to step down and she recommended Judge Oakley for the position. She said all three judges at the court were in favor of Judge Oakley as chief judge.

Judge Green said she has other projects,

especially with the youth, that she wants to work on and she's ready to give up the top position.

She will be second in command to assist Judge Oakley, as he has assisted her over the years.

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Splash Park

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summer, but there may be adjustments to keep it open longer in the fall, weather permitting.

The project was a collaborative effort between the Van Buren Civic Fund, the township, and the DDA and Lothringer directed the effort.

"The DDA and everybody worked very hard on it," said VBT Supervisor Kevin McNamara.

The project included way-finding signs, removal of old play equipment and installation of new ADA play equipment, a new pavilion, additional benches, traditional and accessible picnic tables, redesigned ADA-compliant pathways, improved and accessible ADA parking, new changing rooms, and a memorial garden honoring the late Egypt Covington.

The splash park is one of three big construction projects the DDA completed this year, the other two being the \$2 million Belleville Road walkway over I-94 and the \$3 million Placemaking Project on Belleville Road.



Sara Millward of Centric Learning Systems received the award in the Business category in the Scarecrow Contest. Holding the award is Councilman Tom Smith. Behind are Mayor Kerreen Conley and Councilman Jesse Marcotte.



Receiving the award for the best Adult Groups/Organizations category of the City of Belleville Scarecrow Contest was the Women of the Moose #1135. From left are Deanna Schreengost, Mayor Kerreen Conley, unidentified, and Councilman Jesse Marcotte.



Winning the award for the Families/Individuals category in the Scarecrow Contest was Bella Boo of Bellaville Transylvania. Councilman Jesse Marcotte holds the award.

OPINIONS

Editorial

VBT employees to get motivated by \$3,000 speaker

At Tuesday's meeting of the Van Buren Township Board of Trustees, Trustee Paul White complained about the \$3,000 expenditure for speaker Paula Tutman for a one-and-a-half-hour meeting Dec. 18 at township hall.

Trustee White said board members first learned about the meeting with a notice in their boxes and would have liked to be consulted. White said Supervisor Kevin McNamara said there were donations for the speaker, but on Tuesday McNamara said there are no donations. The township is paying for this motivational speaker for all employees.

"I do that every year," McNamara said, pointing to a session on diversity one year and active shooters another. "This is a little higher than usual," he said of the cost. But, he said, everybody is involved and the board is also invited to attend.

"I have a serious problem with how money is being spent in this township," White said. McNamara agreed the fee is \$1,000 more than he spent last year, but "this is a proven, corporate training expert and ... We're making it mandatory. With that much money, we'll make it mandatory."

He recalled that Mike Kole was paid \$4,000 for an all-day session with the board. White said a 40-hour week at that pay would be \$80,000 for the Tutman, the Channel 4 celebrity. Employees should be super-motivated by the time they head off for Christmas vacation.

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

Kay Atkin's sister gave us a mailing address for Kay and Paul in Missouri.

We can write to Kay and Paul Atkins at P.O. Box 586, Kansas City, MO 64030.

She said Kay and Paul are doing wonderfully in their new, caring environment with her daughter's family.

Joanne Montgomery hopes to be back on the job as deputy clerk of Van Buren Township in early December. You may recall Joanne was gone for months after knee surgery that went wrong. Then, she was back to work. She fell at their cottage up north about six weeks ago and snapped her femur at the hip, which necessitated a hip replacement. Whew. She's anxious to get back to work. We missed you, Joanne.

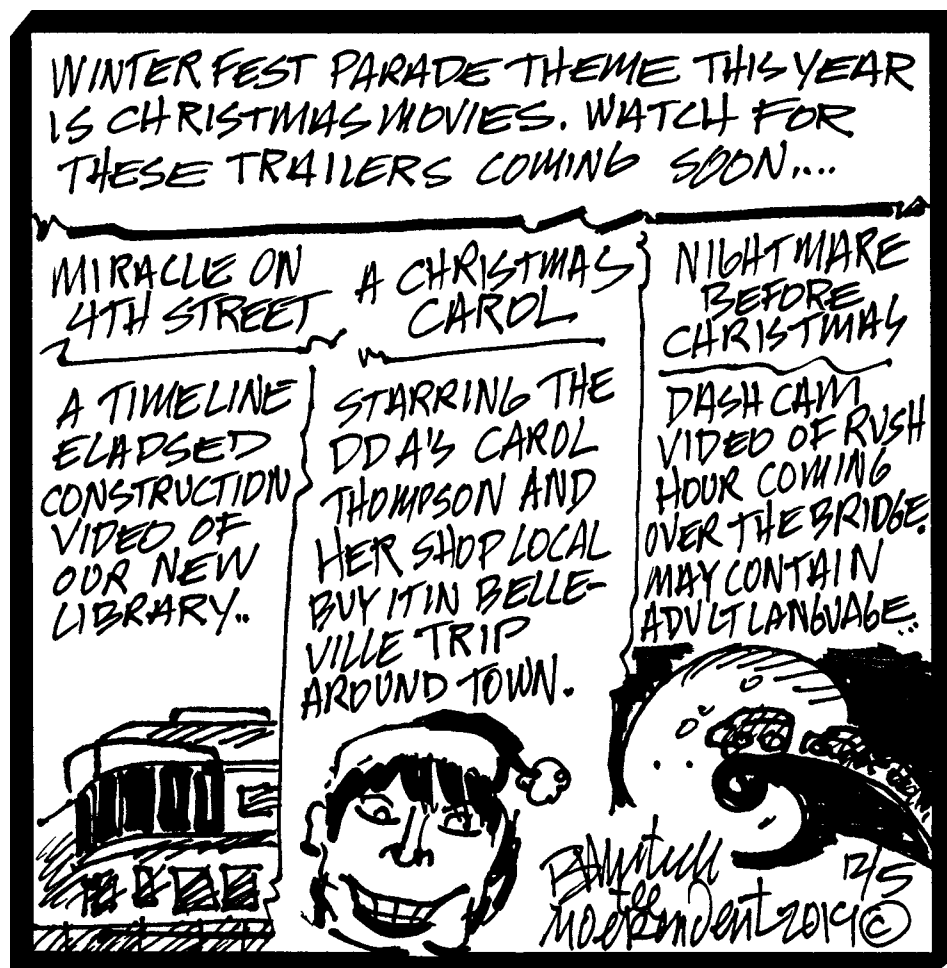
Last Wednesday evening into Thanksgiving afternoon, Haggerty Road between Riggs and Savage roads was closed to through traffic. There were some power outages in that area and tree limbs reported in the roadway. By mid-afternoon on Thursday, everything was back to normal in that area.

At a recent meeting of the VBT board, they were discussing the township's project to enter all the information about private fire hydrants into the GIS system so fire fighters would have this information if they go to fight a fire.

Supervisor Kevin McNamara said the township no longer needs water tankers because, "we are 400' close to hydrants anywhere in the township."

Treasurer Sharry Budd said she doesn't have water or sewer at her property on the North I-94 Service Drive and, "I hope the truck is full up when it comes to my house."

...By Rosemary K. Otzman



The Belleville City Council, which in the past has taken great pride in getting all its work done in brief meetings, has turned a page.

On Monday, the two new council members were sworn in – and the meeting was just short of two hours long. This is compared to recent meetings of the council that were less than 10 minutes long.

While new Councilman Ken Voigt spoke briefly on subjects on Monday, Councilwoman Kelly Bates was very talkative, especially on what she called her "passion" of recycling.

Someone who has watched the passing scene in Belleville for decades pointed out that Councilwoman Bates was sitting in the seat formerly filled by Kim Tindall and before that by Kay Atkins, both of whom talked a lot at meetings.

Maybe it has to do with the position of that chair. Feng shui?

Chad Viers of Van Buren Township was at Monday's Belleville City Council meeting. He said he is delivery supervisor for the post office and his carriers are out in the dark these days delivering the mail. He asked residents to keep their porch lights on because it would help the carriers tremendously.

During the very long Republic Waste discussion at Monday's council meeting, Scott Cabauatan, Republic's municipal

manager for Southern Michigan and Northern Ohio, told those present to contact the call center or the website with problems or appointments for pickup of large items.

In passing, he noted that Republic has a supervisor who just moved here from Indiana and he lives in Belleville on the lake. He said he questioned him to make sure he didn't live in Van Buren Township and Scott said the supervisor insists he lives in Belleville.

In passing at Monday's meeting, Mayor Conley announced that the council members will be out judging lighted decorations on houses the night of Monday, Dec. 9. Be sure to turn on your Christmas lights that night.

Councilman Jesse Marcotte asked if there was anything to report on the veterans' memorial repairs that are needed and City Manager Diana Kollmeyer said there was no update. It's been a long time since engineers considered what was needed.

Reports are that the lighted Christmas train came through Van Buren Township and Belleville at about 11 p.m. Saturday. Many people were waiting to see it as it zoomed by and they were delighted. It's always a treat for our community.



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Letters

Thankful for Mrs. Ruth E. Bleeker, my hero

To the editor:

As we age in life -- we reflect back on those who gave us "something" that inspired us to be stronger and to be "more" than we might have been.

Mrs. Ruth E. Bleeker, you are my hero.

I was born the same year as her son, Kenneth. He was in my classes at BHS. Ken and sister Kathleen rode the same bus with me early mornings.

Ms. Ruth has endured unspeakable hardships and yet she has forged forward being the Mom her children needed -- what God needs -- and the good town citizen, always with patriotism and God in her actions.

I grew up shaping my values -- and my own work for God -- watching her, drawing lessons from her, and strength from her, though unseen or known by her.

Ms. Ruth, you have been so much more than most people can only hope to be. The trials and hardships of this life can only be answered by seeing it as "a bigger picture" we may only learn after death.

Ms. Ruth, from the bottom of my heart "thank you," for keeping the light, the torch, held high -- as to the best of who all of us should hope to be. It may sometimes seem a "thankless" role -- but, in the end, God is our only judge -- and having done God's work -- as is your legacy -- is our entrance to Heaven.

On this Thanksgiving, I am thankful for "you" Ms. Ruth E. Bleeker and for the parents who gave you life -- they gave a gift to the world. You are my leader, my hero, and, my own efforts for humanity owe a respectful nod to you.

God Bless you, Ms. Ruth -- for God has Blessed us "with you."

Linda Jean Broughton

Thanks to all my salon clients over 32 years

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The name and phone number will be the same, but the business hours will be extended, Tuesday to Friday until 8 p.m. Hoping all of you will give the girls the opportunity to service your hair.

Goodbye to all of my clients. Thank you for 32 wonderful years.

Theresa Mitchell
 Sassy Scissors Salon

CAF5 having pancake fund raiser on Saturday

To the editor:

Happy Holidays!

CAF5 (Community Assistance Fund) is having a Pancake Breakfast this Saturday, Dec. 7, at the Fourth Street Square in Belleville from 9 a.m. to 12 noon in a heated tent. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and under! The menu is hot delicious pancakes, sausage and juice and coffee.

Tickets can be purchased at Garden Fantasy on Main or Belleville Hardware -- or you can just pay at the tent! If you can't make it, please feel free to stop by Garden Fantasy or Belleville Hardware and make a donation! We will also accept donations at the breakfast!

We will also have a drawing at the breakfast for a MLB Ron Gardenhire signed baseball and a signed Pistons jersey. Tickets will be sold at the breakfast for \$1.

CAF5 is the organization that supports students in need in Van Buren, Romulus, New Boston, Sumpter, and Belleville. About 90% of our assistance has been to the students in Van Buren Schools.

CAF5 has paid for student eyeglasses and exams, if their family doesn't have insurance. We have also paid to temporarily house homeless families, put on dinner fundraiser for a VB student with cancer, paid utility bills for families, etc.

Just so you know, we use every penny raised for school children -- all members are totally volunteer (and often donate our personal funds). Members of CAF5 are Judge Brian Oakley, Tom Fielder, Jim Foley, Dan Wright, Jeremy Westcott, Ken Brooks, Greg Laurain, Keith Johnston, Kevin Johnston, and Karen Mida. Please feel free to contact any one of us to make a donation.

Thank you for supporting our school children! As everyone knows, "It takes a village to raise a child!"
 Thanks!

Karen Mida
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BHS at-home games

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More Letters

Registration for 2020 VBALL is on line

To the editor:

The 2019 Spring Season for the Van Buren Area Little League was yet another successful season. VBALL had 26 teams with over 326 players participating. VBALL sent three teams to the Little League All Stars including the Intermediate State Tournament that was hosted by VBALL at Beck Fields.

This is our second year hosting a state tournament for Little League. This past season saw upgrades to some field fencing including new backstops and a new outfield fence on Field 8. Additions to our concession stand equipment and the addition of a batting cage for all the players.

As fast as the 2019 season came to a close, the 2020 season is right around the corner. This coming season we are hoping to do more fencing upgrades and we will be adding another batting cage. We are also looking into doing some equipment and field equipment upgrades.

We are also currently working on two fundraisers for the year: a bowling fundraiser and a salsa fundraiser. More information will follow soon.

Starting on "Black Friday" VBALL opened registration online at www.vanburenarealittleleague.org and will run registration until Dec. 31 at the 2019 spring season pricing. Registration will then again open online on Jan. 1, 2020 with a slight increase in fees. Remember families with two children playing receive a \$15 discount and a family with three or more receives a \$30 discount.

T-ball will remain at \$80, Machine pitch baseball/softball will be \$130, Minor baseball/softball will be \$150, Major baseball/softball will be \$160 and 50/70 (Intermediate) and Junior Baseball will

be \$170. Fees include a complete uniform – (hat, jersey, belt, pants and socks) plus liability insurance for each player.

We are looking forward to another great season and would like to thank all the volunteer coaches for their hard work and dedication, all the players and the players' parents, and to ALL the sponsors and people who donated monetarily or donated their time. Without all of you, our season would not be a success.

Hope everyone has a wonderful and safe holiday season and we will see you all in 2020 ready to Play some Ball!

Marc Littleton
Van Buren Township

Metropark passes make terrific Christmas gifts

To the editor:

Prices are going up Jan. 1 for Metropark

annual passes. These make TERRIFIC Christmas gifts!

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Obituaries



Eda Mary Giblin

EDA MARY GIBLIN

(January 13, 1918 – November 30, 2019)
Eda Mary AKA "Ida" Giblin, age 101, long-time Belleville area resident, passed away Saturday, November 30, 2019 at her home. She was born January 13, 1918 in Detroit, MI, daughter of Aurel & Ida (Langyel) Murg. Eda graduated from Northwestern High School Class of 1936. She moved to the Belleville area from Detroit, in 1948. She was a former member of St. Anthony Catholic Church, Belleville, MI. Eda enjoyed bookkeeping, sewing her daughters' clothes and doll clothes. Most of all, she loved gardening.

Mrs. Giblin is survived by two daughters Elaine (Eugene) Gutierrez of Belleville, MI and Evelyn Bennett of Lakewood, Colorado, three grandchildren; Ann Marie (John) Sickelsteel of Orion Township, MI, Cara (Craig) Starwarski of Evansville, Indiana and Jonathan (Beth) Bennett of Colorado Springs, Colorado, five great-grandchildren; John Jr., Matthew, Gabriel, Kathryn, and Khaleesi.

Eda was preceded in death by her parents, husband George Henry Giblin on July 25, 1997, son-in-law Greg Bennett, a brother in childhood Aurel Jr., also two adult brothers Earl and Fred Murg.

Visitation will be 4-8 PM on Wednesday, December 4, 2019, with a 7:00 PM Prayer Service and Time for Sharing at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111-2764 (734) 697-4500. A Funeral Mass will be held at 11:00 AM on Thursday, December 5, 2019 at St. Anthony Catholic Church, 409 W. Columbia Ave., Belleville, MI 48111. Father John Kiselica will serve as Celebrant. The family will welcome guests at church an hour prior to Mass. A luncheon will immediately follow the Mass in the church's fellowship hall. Interment will be in Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens, Novi, MI, at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to Huron Clinton Metro Park Foundation or Meals on Wheels, and would be appreciated by the family. Please sign her on-line guest book and share a memory for her family to treasure.

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MARIANNE ELIZABETH NIETUPSKI

(June 11, 1954 – November 26, 2019)
Of Romulus, died after a courageous battle with cancer. Survived by husband Peter, daughter Sarah, four siblings. Gathering Dec. 14, from 12-4 p.m. at David C. Brown Funeral Home, followed by Celebration of Life.

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Julie Ann Hagerman

JULIE ANN HAGERMAN

(June 1, 1982 – November 28, 2019)
Age 37, of Sumpter Township. Died peacefully on Thanksgiving evening, November 28, 2019, at her residence with her family by her side. Julie is the beloved daughter of Jettie Hagerman of Sumpter Township; cherished granddaughter of Mary Jane (Maris) Hagerman-Piziks of Ann Arbor. She is also survived by many loving extended family and friends and her loving cat, "Midnight". Sadly, she is preceded in death by her father, Jerry Hagerman (d. 2016) and sister, Jennifer (Austin) Gentz (d. 2017).

A loyal fan of the Detroit Tigers, Julie loved watching baseball and cooking shows. She also was a "coupon cutter", sharing the coupons with family and friends to use. Computer games were also a hobby that Julie enjoyed. She was very loved and will be missed.

A memorial service honoring Julie's life was held Tuesday, December 3, 2019 in the Main Chapel of the David C. Brown Funeral Home of Belleville. (734) 697-4500. The Hagerman family greeted guests from 12:00 noon until 5:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, memorial tributes may be directed to the American Lung Association.

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Jeremy A. Borgman

JEREMY A. BORGMAN

(August 6, 1986 – November 23, 2019)
Age 33, passed away Saturday, November 23, 2019 at home.

He was born August 6, 1986 in Ann Arbor, the son of Jerry A. and Karen E. (York) Borgman. Jeremy worked at Alro Metals Outlet as a metals handler. He loved music and the Detroit Red Wings.

Jeremy was a loving son and friend to all, had a kind heart and a wonderful sense of humor. Survivors include: his parents, Jerry and Karen Borgman of Ypsilanti; his beloved fourteen-year-old daughter Alexandria; three aunts, Dawn (Doug) Huff of Wayne, Jodie (Lenn) Cornett of Belleville and Marcy (Tim) Wafer of Livonia; his uncles Scotty Borgman of Belleville and Mark York (Willie) of Pickney; four cousins, Kelly (Mark) Minthorn of Palmer, Brian Huff of Westland, Kyle York of Brighton, and Elle Marie of Pinckney; and his girlfriend Chelsey Billingsley of Livonia; his dog Chico; and so many wonderful friends.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents. The funeral service was December 1, 2019 at Stark Funeral Service with Pastor John White officiating. Cremation followed. Contributions in his memory may be made to the family. Envelopes are available at the funeral home. "His smile and laugh will always be remembered."

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Obituaries



Judith Carole Klein

JUDITH CAROLE KLEIN

(March 2, 1940 – November 27, 2019)

Age 79, of Wayne, a former Belleville resident, died Wednesday, November 27, 2019 at Beaumont Hospital (Wayne campus).

Judith is the beloved wife of Theodore for fifty-eight wonderful years; loving mother of Susan (Richard) Bevins of Saline, April Gehring of Wyoming and Mark (Nancy) Klein of Milan; cherished grandmother of Heather (Brent) Jurgensen of Wyoming, Ryan (Katie) Gehring of Colorado, Nathan Berens of Carson City, Rebekah (Charles) Beal of Saline, Paul Klein of Milan and Kate Conley of Milan. Mrs. Klein is also survived by her great-grandchildren, Paisley, Royce, Piper, Marlee, Joshua, Seth and Meghan; siblings, Robert (Esther) McQuaid of Florida and Keith (Kathy) McQuaid of Belleville and many loving family and friends. Sadly, she is preceded in death by her daughter, Heidi (d.1979) and her longtime cat, "Buddy" (d.2019).

A Belleville High School graduate (class of 1957), Judith enjoyed singing, gardening, playing the piano and spending time with family and friends. She was very loved and will be missed by many.

Funeral services will be held at 12:00 Noon, December 6th, 2019 at Fair Haven Baptist Church, 34850 Marquette St., Westland. The Klein family will receive guests from 10:30 AM until the time of the service. Interment will follow at Soop Cemetery, Van Buren Township. In lieu of flowers, please consider memorial contributions to Fair Haven Baptist Church. www.davidcbrownfh.com

JAMES L. MERRELL

(April 24, 1943 – November 23, 2019)

Age 76 of Belleville. Survived by 4 children: James, Sandra, Rhonda, Jill; 8 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; 7 siblings. Service was held Nov. 29. Arrangements by Janowiak Funeral Home. janowiakfuneralhome.com



Mary Fayedene Johnson

MARY FAYEDENE JOHNSON

(August 16, 1926 – November 27, 2019)

Age 93, of Belleville. Entered into the presence of her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, as her residence with her family by her side on Wednesday evening, November 27, 2019.

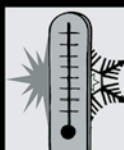
Mary is the beloved wife of the late Jack (d. 2017); loving mother of Richard (Alma) Johnson of Belleville; Carol (Jim) Luke of Belleville and Robert (Amanda) Johnson of Belleville. Mrs. Johnson is also survived by six grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren, and sister Carolyn (Ervin) Stokes of South Carolina. Sadly, she is preceded in death by her brothers, the Reverend Gary Adams, James Adams, Cecil Adams, and Thomas Adams.

A long-time Belleville area resident, Mary joined Grace Baptist Church in 1954. She enjoyed cooking for her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mary loved all her children and grandchildren, but had special relationships with her son, Robert, and her grandson, Eric. Eric made a point to have lunch at his grandmother's house every day for the last twenty-two years. She had a particular fondness for going back to her hometown in Hartsville, South Carolina, to visit with family and friends. Mrs. Johnson never met a stranger and would always remember people during the holidays, birthdays, and always made a point to attend funerals for family and friends.

A funeral service was held at 1 p.m., Monday, December 2, 2019, in the main chapel of the David C. Brown Funeral Home of Belleville, (734) 697-4500. The Reverend Robert White of Grace Baptist Church officiated her service. The Johnson family greeted guests from 10 a.m. until the time of the 1 p.m. service. Interment will follow in the near future at Hillside Cemetery, Belleville.

In lieu of flowers, please consider memorial contributions to Grace Baptist Church of Belleville.

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• **Thursday, Dec. 5** – Professor and historian Greg Sumner will present “Michigan POW Camps in WWII” at 7 p.m. at the Belleville Area District Library. Free.

• **Friday, Dec. 6** – Angel of Hope ceremony at Hillside Cemetery at 7 p.m. to honor the memory of children of any age who have died. To have your child’s name read during the ceremony, call Patricia Monroe at (734) 697-5090. Sponsored by David C. Brown Funeral Home and Brown Family Center.

• **Friday, Dec. 6** – Southwestern Wayne County Democratic Club Holiday Party at UAW Local 898 at 8975 Textile Rd., Ypsilanti (about 1.5 miles west of Rawsonville Road). Social hour at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m. Donation of \$25 includes dinner, beer, wine, and setups. Silent Auction, 50/50, fishbowl raffle. Congresswoman Debbie Dingell is special guest. Information: Terree O’Neil Darling at (313) 971-5027 or Debbie Chamberlain at (734) 634-3569.

• **Saturday, Dec. 7** – Holiday Arts & Crafts Show from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Van Buren Township Parks and Recreation Department, 46425 Tyler Rd. Also, Senior Center’s bake sale.

• **Saturday, Dec. 7** – Winter Fest in downtown Belleville with a long list of

events. The lighted parade starts at 6 p.m., followed by fireworks from the Denton Road Bridge at 7:30 p.m.

• **Saturday, Dec. 7** – Living Nativity after the parade at the Belleville First United Methodist Church, corner of Roys and Charles streets in downtown Belleville. Real animals. Free event. Enjoy the true meaning of Christmas.

• **Sunday, Dec. 8** – Free Sunday Music from 2-5 p.m. at September Days Senior Center, 46425 Tyler Rd., Van Buren Township. Today the music is by Southern Express.

• **Sunday, Dec. 8** – Belleville Area Community Chorus presents its 14th annual holiday concert, “Carols in Candlelight,” at 3 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 417 Charles St., in Belleville. Children’s Choir will participate. Free. Donations accepted.

• **Tuesday, Dec. 10** – Red Cross Blood Drive at Van Buren Township Hall, 46425 Tyler Rd., from 1 to 6:45 p.m.

• **Tuesday, Dec. 10** – Red Cross Blood Drive at Veterans of Foreign Wars #4434, 44170 Bemis Rd., Van Buren Township, from 1 to 6:45 p.m.

• **Saturday, Dec. 14** – Breakfast with Santa from 9 to 11:30 a.m. at St. Anthony Catholic Church, 409 W. Columbia Ave., in the Father Folta Building.

• **Saturday, Dec. 14** – Ribbon-cutting ceremony at 11 a.m. to open the branch of the Belleville Area District Library, a media center across Sumpter Road from the Sumpter Township Hall. The media center will open for business after the ribbon-cutting.

• **Saturday, Dec. 14** – Country Christmas from 1 to 3 p.m. at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, 19109 Craig St., corner of Ellis, New Boston. Meet Country “Claus,” have lunch, play games, crafts, Chili Cook-off, Cake Walk/Spirit Walk.

• **Saturday, Dec. 14 and Sunday, Dec. 15** – Bethany Bible Church is presenting its annual Christmas Choir Concert, performing “Joy! He Shall Reign” on Saturday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 11 a.m. at the church at 810 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville.

• **Saturdays, Dec. 14 and 21** – Children’s Ornament Workshop at the Belleville Area Museum, noon, 1:15 p.m. or 2:30 p.m. Cost is \$2 per child. Reservations recommended, (734) 697-1944. Also, Photos with Santa from noon to 4 p.m., free, but donations welcome. Photos for special needs, all ages, 11:30 a.m. to noon.

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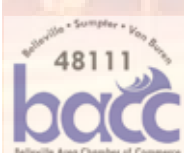
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The need for blood is greater than ever and there's a couple blood donor drives coming up next Tuesday, Dec. 10, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the VFW Post 4434 on Bemis Road and at the Van Buren Township Municipal Center. To schedule an appointment visit www.redcrossblood.org.

This weekend is Winterfest here in town and the line up of activities and events is better than ever, starting with pop-up shops downtown on Thursday, Dec. 5, movie night under the tent at Fourth Street Square on Friday evening, followed by what will likely be a day-long party on Saturday, starting with the annual Jingle Bell Run in the morning and ending with fireworks and live music at the square. In between of course is our night parade at 6 p.m., pancake breakfast, kids-crafts, soup crawl, and Mark Rosenthal's Animal Magic at 3 p.m. I'll be at parade central so stop over and say hi. Be sure to check out the Belleville Chamber's ad in today's paper for all the details. Sponsors for Winterfest weekend have really stepped up this year. Thanks to the

City of Belleville, DDA, local businesses, and chamber for giving us this magical weekend.

The Belleville Central Business Community presents free Photos with Santa on Saturday, Dec. 14, and Saturday, Dec. 21, from noon until 4 p.m. on both days at the Belleville Area Museum. Photos with Santa for special needs of all ages will take place from 11:30 a.m. until noon each day. Enjoy Santa during the Festival of Holiday Trees and kids can attend an ornament workshop on both days. Be sure to get your free stocking from Santa. Special thanks to Janet Millard and the CBC as I was honored to draw up their coloring book. It was a blast. The event is sponsored by the CBC, Tucker Insurance, Genisys Credit Union, Wayne County Community College, and Belleville Downtown on the Lake. Photos are free, but donations are welcome. See their ad in today's paper.

Santa will be dropping in by air to visit kids of all ages at the Yankee Air Museum on Saturday, Dec. 21, from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. The museum opens at 10 a.m. with hands-on activities and live animals, conducted by the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum and Leslie Science & Nature Center. The event is free and open to the public. Call (734) 484-4030. The YAM is located at 47884 D Street on the east side of Willow Run Airport.

St. Paul Lutheran Church in New Boston is having a Country Christmas event on Saturday, Dec. 14, from 1 to 3 p.m. featuring a chili cook-off, games, crafts, lunch, cake and spirit walk, and a chance to meet Country Claus. The church is located at 19109 Craig

Street at the corner of Ellis Street. Call (734) 753-9048.

Tickets are still available for the Jubilee Christmas Tour stop this evening, Dec. 5, 7 p.m. at Bethany Bible Church in Belleville. Featured groups include Legacy Five and Greater Vision. Call (734) 697-7456. Bethany Bible Church Choir will present their Christmas concert titled "Joy! He Shall Reign" on Saturday, Dec. 14 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 15 at 11 a.m. Both of these performances are free. Infant and toddler nursery is available.

The Christmas trees are in at Garden Fantasy Greenhouse on Tyler Road near Morton Taylor. Choose from Scotch Pine and Frasier Fir, along with a selection of fresh wreaths and roping. Poinsettias are also available and custom orders can be made for grave blankets, cemetery cones and wreaths. They're open Monday through Saturday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sundays, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call (734) 697-1765. Be sure to see their ad in today's paper and visit their new website at www.thegardenfantasygreenhouse.com. Support small business and shop local.

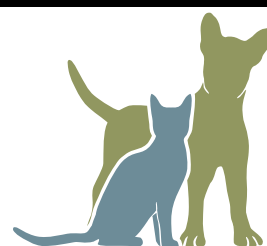


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34th District Court Chief Judge Tina Brooks Green, at right, swears in the newly elected Belleville City Council members to four-year terms at Monday's regular council meeting. From left are Councilman Ken Voigt, Councilwoman Kelly Bates, and Mayor Kerreen Conley.

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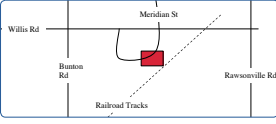
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Van Buren School Board considers policy changes on vaping, drones, more

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

The Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education discussed changes to 20 policies for their first readings at its regular meeting Nov. 25.

The changes were explained by Trustee Amy Pearce on behalf of the Board Policy Committee, on which Trustee Calvin Hawkins and board Vice President Susan Featheringill also sit.

Changes included not allowing vaping and e-cigarettes on school property, erection of no-smoking signs on school property, no use of tobacco on school property and no tobacco sponsors for anything.

Also, a new policy is about opioid antagonists, like Narcon, that may be administered by a trained staff member and if they believe the individual is having an opioid overdose they must call 911.

They also will require fingerprints for childcare, preschool, and early childhood development volunteers, and will check on whether Head Start and others on school property are properly vetting their employees and volunteers.

Also, there are prohibitions of employees referring students for abortions, as well as no romantic or sexual relationships with students and no alcohol, cigarettes or drugs on school property.

Policies on evaluations for school administrators were discussed along with state aid for English Learners and immigrant children.

Also, no small unmanned drones are allowed on school property unless the superintendent approves it.

The policy changes will be back for final approval at the board's next meeting on Dec. 9. The changes were recommended by NEOLA mainly to coincide with new state laws.

NEOLA partners with the Michigan Association of School Boards to provide policy service for public schools. It currently serves 506 clients in Michigan.

In other business at its 28-minute open meeting, the board also:

- Approved the resignation of Lauren Vasquez after less than a year of service at Belleville High School as of Nov. 27 and the hiring of Charles Takasy as a third-grade teacher at Rawsonville Elementary;

- Approved the retirement of Sandra Armstrong from Haggerty Early Childhood Development program after 26 years of service as of Jan. 6 and the hiring of Amy Dossey as a paraprofessional at Edgemont Elementary School as of Nov. 18;

- Heard retired teacher Ginny Gearn's thank the school board and staff for their hard work and positive attitude. She said she hopes the teachers are recognizing the changes, but she knows some are still "a little shaky." She refers to the past administration that had the teaching staff in turmoil;

- Heard Director of Special Services Karen Johnston praise the NJROTC that helped the seniors set up the room for their craft show on Nov. 23 and then helped clean up the room after the show was over;

- Heard Trustee Pearce say she talked with Marine Matthew Barr who runs the NJROTC and he has 85 kids already in the program. He told her he is always looking for opportunities for them to volunteer in the community. "He's been dynamic," said School Supt. Pete Kudlak. "He's a very, very cool guy," Pearce agreed; and

- Heard Supt. Kudlak speak of the hard-fought battle the BHS football team had the previous Saturday when it lost its game in the state semi-finals. "We look forward to next year," Kudlak said. In the spirit of Thanksgiving, he said, "I'm glad the board took a chance on me a couple of years back. I couldn't be happier".

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DATE: December 2, 2019

BELLEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
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BELLEVILLE, MICHIGAN 48111

BY SHERRI SCHARF, CITY CLERK



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City of Belleville Public Notice

City of Belleville DECEMBER BOARD OF REVIEW



The December Board of Review will meet on Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at Belleville City Hall, 6 Main Street, Belleville, MI 48111. The Board will correct any clerical errors or mutual mistakes of fact pertaining to the 2019 property assessments.

Property assessments can only be changed for:

1. Homestead exemption status
2. Poverty exemptions
3. Disabled veterans' exemptions

Sherri Scharf
City Clerk

Publish: November 28th and 12-5-19

City of Belleville Public Notice

CITY OF BELLEVILLE Notice of Adoption Ordinance No. 19-003

AN ORDINANCE TO RESTATE THE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE AND TOXIC CHEMICALS SECTION OF THE CITY OF BELLEVILLE CODE OF ORDINANCES.

The City of Belleville, Wayne County, Michigan, hereby ordains:

DIVISION 3 - CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES AND TOXIC CHEMICALS

Subdivision I. - Generally

- Sec. 50-320. Possession or use of marihuana
- Sec. 50-321. Loitering

Subdivision II. Drug Paraphernalia

- Sec. 50-330. Definition, determination of "drug paraphernalia"
- Sec. 50-331. Possession
- Sec. 50-332. Manufacture, delivery or sale
- Sec. 50-333. Advertising
- Sec. 50-334. Exceptions
- Sec. 50-335. Civil forfeiture
- Sec. 50-336. Penalties

Ordinance No. 19-003 was adopted by the Belleville City Council on December 2, 2019 and will become effective on December 16, 2019. A complete and true copy of Ordinance No. 19-003 is available for inspection and may be obtained at the City Clerk's Office, 6 Main Street, Belleville, MI 48111.

Sherri Scharf
City Clerk/Treasurer

Publish: December 5, 2019

Upcoming Meetings

- Monday, Dec. 9 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m., BHS Commons
- Tuesday, Dec. 10 – Van Buren Township Recreation Committee, 5:30 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township workshop at 6 p.m. and

regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. Also, VBT Board of Zoning Appeals, 7 p.m. Also, Belleville Area District Library Board, 7:30 p.m.

- Wednesday, Dec. 11 – Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, Dec. 12 – Keystone Academy board meeting at 6 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township Planning Commission, 7 p.m., if needed. Also, Belleville Planning Commission, 7 p.m.



Sumpter Township Public Notice



SUMPTER TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REQUEST FOR ZONING VARIANCE

The Sumpter Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing at the Sumpter Township Hall, 23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111 at 7:00 pm, Thursday, December 19, 2019 regarding the request for the following nonuse variance.

NATURE OF THE REQUEST

The township is in receipt of an application for a nonuse variance from zoning ordinance Section 5.3 (a) (5). The request is to construct a detached accessory structure closer to the front property line than the siting of the existing principal building; this is prohibited by Section 5.3 (a) (5). The site for the requested nonuse variance is located at 22155 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111.

This Public Hearing has been scheduled in accordance with the requirements of Public Act 168, Section 0 of 1959 (amendments to the Township Rural Zoning Act. P.A. 184) to provide all interested citizens an opportunity to express opinions, ask questions, and discuss in detail all aspects of the nonuse variance.

For those unable to attend the Public Hearing, written comments or phone calls may be submitted to the Township Clerk's Office until 4:30pm the date of the hearing.

Esther Hurst
Clerk
Sumpter Township

Published: December 5, 2019

Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

DECEMBER BOARD OF REVIEW CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN

NOTICE TO THE TAXPAYERS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF VAN BUREN CHARTER TOWNSHIP

The BOARD OF REVIEW of the Charter Township of Van Buren will meet at the Township Hall, 46425 Tyler Road on Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.

The purpose of this meeting will be:

- 1) To correct clerical errors or mutual mistakes of fact;
- 2) Homestead exemption status; and
- 3) Poverty exemptions.

Any property owner who believes they qualify should call Van Buren Township Assessing Department at 734.699.8946 prior to December 10, 2019.

Leon Wright
Van Buren Charter Township

Post: November 15, 2019
Publish: November 21, 2019
November 28, 2019
December 5, 2019

Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

Out of the 471 dispatch calls for service reported by Van Buren Township police for the week Nov. 17-23, the following are selected for this column. Followed by selections from the 446 dispatch calls for service during the week of Nov. 24-30.

Sunday, Nov 17:

0004 – harassment call, Rawsonville Rd.
0345 – suspicious person/vehicle, EB I-94 / Rawsonville Rd.
0543 – threat, S. Ponderosa Trl.
0553 – intrusion alarm, Fay Dr.
0754 – private property/property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd.
0758 – assist other dept., Carmell Rd.
1122 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.
1257 – follow up by officer, Arlene Ln.
1320 – larceny, Oak Ln.
1327 – assist fire dept., Victoria St.
1343 – assist fire dept., Parkwood Dr.
1339 – assist citizen, Rawsonville Rd.
1421 – assist fire dept., Belleville
1429 – assist fire dept., S. Ponderosa Trl.
1459 – welfare check, Oak Ln.
1543 – property damage accident, Michigan Ave. / Rawsonville Rd.
1641 – vehicle lockout, Belleville Rd.
1654 – private property/property damage accident, Hamilton St.
1734 – parking complaint, Belleville Rd.
1812 – domestic, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1847 – private property/property damage accident, E. Schooner Dr.
1910 – noise complaint, Westlake Cir.
2108 – parking complaint, Belleville Rd.
2115 – property check, Belleville Rd.
2144 – operating while intoxicated, Belleville Rd.
2147 – harassment call, Rawsonville Rd.
2229 – civil matter, Ecorse Rd.
2242 – harassment call, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2245 – intrusion alarm, Florence Ln.
2344 – noise complaint, Old Michigan Rd./Outer Dr.

Monday, Nov. 18:

0051 – animal complaint, Haggerty Rd.
0106 – warrant arrest, Tyler Rd.
0243 – property check, Belleville Rd.
0303 – property damage accident, Tyler Rd.
0354 – assist fire dept., E. Huron River Dr.
0425 – suspicious person/vehicle, N. I-94 Service
0837 – intrusion alarm, E. Sadie Ln.
1009 – animal complaint, S. Ponderosa Trl.
1013 – juvenile complaint, McBride
1018 – fraud, Sylvia Dr.
1055 – juvenile complaint, McBride
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1056 – juvenile complaint, McBride
1058 – assist other dept., N. I-275/Ecorse
1210 – 911 welfare check, Ecorse Rd.
1228 – suspicious person/vehicle, Salem Ct.
1450 – suicidal person, Martz Rd.
1619 – malicious destruction of property, Ironwood Dr.
1732 – suspicious person/vehicle, Beck/Ecorse
1911 – harassment call, Parkwood Dr.
1917 – juvenile complaint, Victoria St.
1928 – animal complaint, S. Bellridge Dr.
2053 – runaway, Quirk Rd.
2136 – road hazard, S. I-94 Service Dr./Haggerty
2245 – noise complaint, N. I-94 Service Dr.

Tuesday, Nov. 19:

0531 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / Savage Rd.
0626 – property damage accident, E. Huron River Dr. / Haggerty Rd.
0739 – mental subject, Harmony Ln.
0915 – warrant arrest, Rawsonville I-94 ramp E / E I-94
0924 – animal complaint, Bak Rd.
0942 – ordinance violation, Elwell Rd.
1025 – ordinance violation, Martinsville Rd.
1041 – larceny, Martinsville Rd.
1053 – disorderly, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1137 – ordinance violation, Ayres Ave.
1148 – suspicious person/vehicle, Tyler Rd.
1239 – road hazard, Yost/Belleville
1244 – animal complaint, Jackson St./Tyler Rd.
1551 – larceny, Belleville Rd.
1557 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.

1624 – property damage accident, Ecorse Rd.
1639 – juvenile complaint, Berkdale Dr.
1652 – assist other dept., Denton Rd.
1717 – suspicious person/vehicle, Quirk Rd.
1823 – overdose, Oak Ln.
1826 – property damage accident, S. I-94 Service Dr. / Quirk Rd.
1830 – threat, Denton Rd.
1832 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / E. Huron River Dr.
1856 – property damage accident, S. I-94 Service
1900 – 911 welfare check, Anna Dr.
1948 – domestic, Outer Dr.
2018 – harassment call, Tyler Rd.
2111 – 911 welfare check, North Shore Dr.
2220 – animal complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.

Wednesday, Nov. 20:

0549 – suspicious person/vehicle, N. Woodbury Dr
0605 – hospice death, Bemis Rd.
0711 – threat, Ecorse Rd.
0759 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Ecorse Rd.
0925 – threat, Buchanan St.
0952 – assist other dept., N. I-275/Ecorse
0954 – suspicious person/vehicle, Bemis Rd.
1041 – 911 welfare check, Hamilton St.
1105 – animal complaint, Richard Run Dr.
1317 – 911 welfare check, Ecorse Rd.
1320 – malicious destruction of property, Maple
1321 – animal complaint, Haverhill Rd.
1458 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
1631 – suspicious person/vehicle, Old Denton Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.
1631 – family trouble, Jeannette Ave.
1729 – domestic, Haggerty Rd.
1738 – neighbor trouble, Maple Dr.
1819 – follow up by officer, Berkdale Dr.
1903 – 911 welfare check, Andover Dr.
2144 – fraud, W. Huron River Dr.
2211 – 911 welfare check, North Shore Dr.
2215 – domestic, Crowley Ave.

Thursday, Nov. 21:

0135 – suspicious person/vehicle, Harbor Ln.
0140 – disorderly, Denton Rd.
0910 – larceny, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1051 – motorist assist, Belleville Rd./E I-94
1112 – threat, Montague Ave.
1152 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1240 – malicious destruction of property, Prairiegrass Ct.
1311 – animal complaint, Kirkridge Park Dr.
1414 – 911 welfare check, Haggerty Rd.
1448 – property damage accident, W. Huron River
1741 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
1824 – family trouble, Hull Rd.
1958 – noise complaint, Pine Dr.
2008 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
2147 – assist other dept., Sumpter Rd./Bemis Rd.
2154 – animal complaint, Savage Rd./Haggerty
2224 – suspicious person/vehicle, Samantha Ave. / Jeremy Rd.

2309 – suspicious person/vehicle, E. Sadie Ln.

Friday, Nov. 22:

0110 – operating while intoxicated, Belleville Rd.
0836 – juvenile complaint, Meadows Ln.
0843 – assist citizen, Michigan Ave./Denton Rd.
0943 – larceny from auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1026 – traffic offense, Tyler Rd./Haggerty Rd.
1124 – larceny, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1234 – property damage accident, Savage/Louisa
1318 – property damage accident, Jackson St.
1347 – malicious destruction of property, Rawsonville Rd.
1429 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1450 – larceny from auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1545 – personal injury accident, Belleville Rd.
1559 – larceny from auto, Denton Rd.
1606 – suspicious person/vehicle, Brandi Dr.
1619 – animal complaint, Robson Rd.
1624 – hospice death, Holly Ln.
1738 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.

1807 – suspicious person/vehicle, Fairfield Dr.
1836 – fraud, Alden Ave.
1907 – road hazard, Belleville Rd./Quirk Rd.
2050 – juvenile complaint, S. Woodbury Dr.
2055 – juvenile complaint, Lake Villa Dr.
2127 – suspicious person/vehicle, E. Huron River
2208 – noise complaint, S. Ponderosa Trl.
2208 – breaking & entering, N. Woodbury Dr.
2317 – larceny from auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2321 – fight, Haggerty Rd.

Saturday, Nov. 23:

0105 – missing person, Stratford Dr.
0426 – suspicious person/vehicle, Park Estates Dr.
0441 – suspicious person/vehicle, Rawsonville Rd.
0642 – larceny, W. Schooner Dr.
0824 – noise complaint, Parkwood Dr.
0858 – animal complaint, Tyler Rd.
0939 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1050 – larceny, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1128 – property damage accident, Sumpter/Bemis
1157 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.
1324 – private property impound, N. I-94 Service
1423 – retail fraud, Rawsonville Rd.
1458 – larceny from auto, S. Ponderosa Trl.
1638 – suspicious person/vehicle, Tyler Rd. / Springwood Blvd.
1750 – property damage accident, Tyler Rd.
1833 – property damage accident, EB Michigan Ave. / bypass
2024 – private property impound, Belleville Rd.
2101 – private property impound, Belleville Rd.
2140 – suspicious person/vehicle, Lilac Ln. / Harmony Ln.
2218 – domestic, Hannan Rd./Ecorse Rd.
2343 – suspicious person/vehicle, Haggerty Rd.

(Also, on this week's log are 141 traffic stops, 70 of which were on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.)

Sunday, Nov. 24:

0109 – suspicious person/vehicle, Crowley Ave. / Marlowe Rd.
0254 – suicidal person, Belleville Rd.
0704 – shooting, Springwood Blvd.
0853 – animal complaint, Beck/Ecorse
0939 – domestic, Maple Dr.
0953 – juvenile complaint, Belleville/Van Born
1041 – suspicious person/vehicle, Tyler Rd.
1138 – animal complaint, Hamilton Ct.
1142 – malicious destruction of property, N. Ponderosa Trl.
1228 – 911 welfare check, Savage Rd.
1339 – 911 welfare check, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1415 – threat, Van Buren St.
1502 – private property/property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1520 – suspicious person/vehicle, Quirk Rd.
1522 – suicidal person, Nautica Dr.
1540 – property damage accident, S. I-94 Service
1606 – suspicious person/vehicle, Ecorse/Haggerty
1622 – larceny, Belleville Rd.
1636 – hospice death, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1702 – shooting, Springwood Blvd.
1701 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville
1835 – noise complaint, Parkwood Dr.
1849 – overdose, Belleville Rd.
2039 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
2054 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
2234 – threat, Western St.
2203 – traffic offense, Rawsonville Rd.

Monday, Nov. 25:

0541 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Freedom Way
0730 – malicious destruction of property, Ecorse
0743 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Denton
0838 – larceny from auto, Washington St.
0910 – assist other dept., Vernon St.
1109 – 911 welfare check, Arthur St.
1123 – animal complaint, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1137 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Ecorse Rd./Visteon Way
1416 – dumping complaint, Sheldon Rd.
1420 – fraud, Van Buren Ct.
1501 – larceny from auto, Roosevelt
1528 – threat, Lake Point Pass
1530 – property damage accident, E. Huron River Dr. / Haggerty Rd.
1540 – assist other dept., Ashbury
1554 – larceny from auto, Roosevelt
1708 – suspicious person/vehicle, Westlake
1727 – private property impound, Holly Ln.
1728 – private property impound, Holly Ln.
1744 – property damage accident, Huron River Dr. / Edison Lake Rd.
1801 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1836 – juvenile complaint, Ecorse Rd./Beck Rd.
1839 – private property impound, Belleville Rd.
1844 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1853 – suspicious person/vehicle, S. I-94 Service
2024 – traffic offense, Rawsonville Rd. / W. Huron River Dr.
1801 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1836 – juvenile complaint, Ecorse Rd./Beck Rd.
1839 – private property impound, Belleville Rd.
1844 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1853 – suspicious person/vehicle, S. I-94 Service
2024 – traffic offense, Rawsonville Rd. / W. Huron River Dr.
2059 – family trouble, Brookside Dr.
2149 – larceny from auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2343 – suspicious person/vehicle, S. I-94 Service

Tuesday, Nov. 26:

0013 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
0433 – parking complaint, Van Born/Haggerty
0522 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd. / Martz Rd.
0629 – larceny from auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.
0933 – suspicious person/vehicle, Arborview Ln. / N. Timberview Dr.
0944 – warrant arrest, Fort
1055 – 911 welfare check, Robson Rd.
1122 – noise complaint, Birch Dr.
1224 – suspicious person/vehicle, Ross/Haggerty
1318 – larceny from auto, Water's Edge Ln.
1412 – animal complaint, Morton Taylor Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.
1533 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Belleville Rd.
1700 – disorderly, Maple Dr.
1800 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.
1844 – breaking & entering, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1946 – fraud, Ash Dr.
2205 – 911 welfare check, Lancaster Dr.
2215 – family trouble, W. Huron River Dr.

Wednesday, Nov. 27:

0856 – property damage accident, Haggerty/Ecorse
1034 – mental subject, Robson Rd.
1110 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd. / W. Huron River Dr.
1224 – road hazard, Haggerty Rd./Van Born Rd.
1242 – fraud, Wheeler St.
1258 – trespassing, Maple Dr.
1319 – suspicious person/vehicle, Cobblestone Creek Dr.
1452 – domestic, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1508 – road hazard, Bemis Rd.
1603 – fraud, Laguna Dr.
1634 – suicidal person, Spruce Ln.
1718 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd.
1907 – property damage accident, Belleville/Tyler
1904 – leaving the scene of the property damage accident, Haggerty Rd./E. Huron River Dr.
1911 – larceny, N. I-94 Service Dr.
2043 – hospice death, Montague Ave.
2055 – fraud, Van Buren Plaza
2158 – 911 welfare check, Jackson St.
2356 – mental subject, Lighthouse Dr.

Thursday, Nov. 28:

0027 – larceny, Belleville Rd.
0756 – private property/property damage accident, Denton Rd.
0839 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.
1058 – suspicious person/vehicle, Hamilton St.
1135 – property damage accident, Ecorse
1138 – suspicious person/vehicle, Brookside Dr.
1536 – road hazard, Martinsville Rd./Fret Rd.
1612 – larceny from auto, N. Bellridge Dr.
1617 – noise complaint, Sugarbush Ln.
1633 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Chandler
1714 – noise complaint, Anna Dr.
1804 – harassment call, Outer Dr.
1822 – fight, Brookside Dr.
2049 – suspicious person/vehicle, Ecorse Rd. / Belleville Rd.

2101 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.
2104 – suspicious person/vehicle, Kirkridge Park
2218 – suspicious person/vehicle, Village Green
2219 – noise complaint, Amanda Dr.

Friday, Nov. 29:

0939 – animal complaint, Fairfield Dr.
0958 – suspicious person/vehicle, Wheeler St.
1155 – suspicious person/vehicle, Hanover Dr.
1216 – ordinance violation, Hamlin St.
1335 – suspicious person/vehicle, Wheeler St.
1347 – assist other dept., Holly Ln.
1438 – animal complaint, Chester Ct.
1511 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1514 – family trouble, Edwards Rd.
1615 – domestic, Belleville Rd.
1707 – disorderly, Belleville Rd.
1745 – hospice death, Truman
1816 – hospice death, Senate St.
1855 – suspicious person/vehicle, Huron River Dr.
2003 – suspicious person/vehicle, Ecorse Rd.
2106 – family trouble, Outer Dr.

Saturday, Nov. 30:

0018 – 911 welfare check, Belleville Rd.
0938 – larceny from auto, S. Bellridge Dr.
1029 – animal complaint, Borgman Ave.
1106 – animal complaint, Robson Rd. / Belleville
1126 – suspicious person/vehicle, S. I-94 Service
1155 – suspicious person/vehicle, Vernon St.

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Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

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1213 – domestic, N. Ponderosa Trl.
1240 – larceny, Belleville Rd.
1404 – 911 welfare check, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1644 – larceny from auto, Westlake Cir.
1650 – threat, Chandler
1701 – 911 welfare check, Andover Dr.
1910 – suspicious person/vehicle, Ashbury Dr.
1915 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
1920 – fight, Parkwood Dr.
1940 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
1949 – shooting, Beck Rd./Van Born Rd.
1948 – suicidal person, maple
2036 – sexual assault, Parkwood Dr.
2046 – road hazard, Savage/tracks
2052 – fraud, Sumpter Rd.
2132 – operating while intoxicated, W. I-94 / Belleville Rd.
2201 – suspicious person/vehicle, Hyatt
2214 – family trouble, Jackson St.
2300 – malicious destruction of property, Hannan
2325 – noise complaint, S. Bellridge Dr.

On this week's report there are 112 traffic stops, with 48 of them being on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.

Belleville Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Nov. 17:

0522 – intrusion alarm, South St.
0750 – civil matter, Carmell St.
0833 – malicious destruction of property, Charles
1110 – assist other dept., Carmell St.
1308 – dumping complaint, Carmell St.
1351 – traffic offense, N. Liberty St.
1359 – assist fire dept., Brain St.
1606 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
1744 – juvenile complaint, W. Thornhill Ct.
2155 – noise complaint, Belle Villa Blvd.

Monday, Nov. 18:

0530 – juvenile complaint, Owen St.
0930 – juvenile complaint, McBride Ave.
1158 – parking complaint, South St.
1404 – miscellaneous complaint, Main St.
1842 – property damage accident, Sumpter Rd.
1922 – vehicle lockout, W. Columbia Ave.
2356 – domestic, Carmell St.

Tuesday, Nov. 19:

0915 – assist fire dept., Biggs Ave.
1014 – intrusion alarm, S. Edgemont Ave.
2300 – suspicious person/vehicle, Edison Ave.

Wednesday, Nov. 20:

0450 – found property/child, Belleville High School wooded area
0948 – assist fire dept., Main St.
1214 – threat, Main St.
1253 – larceny, E. Huron River Dr.
1343 – found property/child, Brain St.
1359 – juvenile complaint, Owen St.
1606 – trespassing, Church St.
2226 – warrant arrest, Main St.

Thursday, Nov. 21:

0239 – intrusion alarm, Henry St.
1054 – assist fire dept., Owen St.
1328 – disorderly, McBride Middle School
1402 – private property impound, Estrada Dr.
1651 – property damage accident, Main St.
1707 – private property/property damage accident, W. Columbia Ave.

Friday, Nov. 22:

1012 – assist fire dept., Estrada
1829 – road hazard, Belleville/Quirk

Saturday, Nov. 23:

0805 – intrusion alarm, Main St.
2143 – suspicious person/vehicle, Main St.

(Also, on this week's log are 37 traffic stops.)

Sunday, Nov. 24:

0112 – assist other dept., Potter Dr.
0802 – property check, E. Huron River Dr. / Biggs
0900 – family trouble, N. Aberdeen Ct.
1023 – family trouble, N. Aberdeen Ct.
1114 – assist fire dept., Main St.
2053 – assist fire dept., Wabash Ave.

Monday, Nov. 25:

0048 – assist fire dept., Menlo Park Dr.
0859 – property damage accident, Main St.

0934 – intrusion alarm, Owen
1116 – warrant arrest, S. Wayne Rd.
1433 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
1535 – civil matter, S. Industrial Park Dr.
1559 – property damage accident, N. Liberty/Main
1816 – miscellaneous complaint, W. Columbia

Tuesday, Nov. 26:

0049 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
1136 – larceny, W. Columbia Ave.
1801 – property damage accident, Carmell St.
2231 – disorderly, Carmell St.
2305 – threat, Carmell St.

Wednesday, Nov. 27:

0112 – juvenile complaint, Carmell St.
0619 – 911 welfare check, N. Aberdeen Ct.
0917 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
1550 – vehicle lockout, Main St.
1654 – disorderly, Main St./Third St.

Thursday, Nov. 28:

0914 – animal complaint, N. Aberdeen Ct.
1056 – miscellaneous complaint, Denton Rd.
1057 – malicious destruction of property, Denton
2310 – assist fire dept., Harbour Pointe Dr.

Friday, Nov. 29:

1414 – traffic offense, Main St.
1431 – traffic offense, PTS
1604 – assist other dept., E. Huron River Dr.

Saturday, Nov. 30:

0855 – all miscellaneous complaints, Main St.
1929 – larceny, Sumpter Rd.
2227 – welfare check, N. Liberty St.

Also, on this week's log are 37 traffic stops.

Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Nov. 17:

0008 – fire dept. assist, 23000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
0519 – shots fired, 43000 bl. Judd Rd.
0912 – trespassing, 47000 bl. Harris Rd.
1157 – found property, 28000 bl. Karr Rd.
1227 – fire dept. assist, 46000 bl. Willis Rd.
1549 – fight, 22000 bl. Bohn Rd.
2026 – harassment complaint, Oregon
2233 – property damage accident, 50000 bl. Willow Rd.

2329 – citizen assist, Oakville Waltz Rd./Sumpter

Monday, Nov. 18:

0302 – fire dept. assist, 28000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
0648 – subpoena service, 24000 bl. Martinsville
1119 – civil dispute, Redwood Ct.
1321 – harassment complaint, 48000 bl. Willis Rd.
1505 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
1931 – civil dispute, 22000 bl. Bohn Rd.
2358 – civil dispute, Edgewood Dr.

Tuesday, Nov. 19:

0044 – warrant arrest pick up, out of township
1308 – animal complaint, Willow/Schrock
1443 – harassment complaint, Redwood Ct.
1804 – 911 hang up, Brookview Dr.

Wednesday, Nov. 20:

0329 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Wilmot Rd.
0721 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Willis/Rawsonville
0909 – citizen assist, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.
1442 – fire dept. assist, W. Arizona
1651 – family trouble, Edgewood Dr.
1707 – fire dept. assist, Wayside Dr.
1807 – subpoena service, 43000 bl. Willow Rd.
1828 – subpoena service, 19000 bl. Savage Rd.
1912 – fire dept. assist, Carriage Ln.
1947 – warrant arrest pick up, 44000 bl. Willow
2128 – family trouble, 26000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
2206 – assault, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.

Thursday, Nov. 21:

0625 – fire dept. assist, 36000 bl. S. Huron Rd.
1305 – alarm, 42000 bl. Judd Rd.
1938 – suspicious incident, Rustic Ln.
2109 – alarm, 20000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2204 – disorderly person, Greenmeadow

Friday, Nov. 22:

0341 – alarm, 21000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
0403 – fire dept. assist, 17i000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
0633 – property damage accident, Willow/Sumpter
0919 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Judd Rd.
1317 – found property, Knollwood Dr.
1550 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Willis Rd.
1608 – harassment complaint, Redwood Ct.
1727 – shots fired, 46000 bl. Wear Rd.
2132 – assist other agency, 45000 bl. Victoria Ave.
2306 – alarm, 8300 bl. Rawsonville Rd.

2332 – suspicious incident, 44000 bl. Wear Rd.

Saturday, Nov. 23:

0008 – fire dept. assist, 28000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1632 – trespassing, 22000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1732 – 911 hang up, Brookview Dr.
1820 – animal complaint, 19000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1834 – assist other agency, 8300 bl. Rawsonville
1922 – suspicious vehicle, 21000 bl. Karr Rd.
1932 – 911 hang up, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2047 – family trouble, 42000 bl. Willow Rd.
2212 – family trouble, 22000 bl. Karr Rd.
2312 – warrant arrest pick up, Willow/Carleton West Rd.

2347 – suspicious vehicle, 44000 bl. Willis Rd.

(Also, on this week's log are nine follow-up investigations, 19 miscellaneous details, 25 patrol checks, and 45 traffic stops.)

Sunday, Nov. 24:

0603 – fire dept. assist, 43000 bl. Clay Rd.
0951 – civil dispute, 47000 bl. Willow Rd.
1321 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Clay Rd.
1337 – fire dept. assist, Redwood
1818 – assist other agency, Timberlane Dr.
2009 – warrant arrest pick up, out of township
2053 – civil dispute, 21000 bl. Bohn Rd.
2118 – civil dispute, Pecan
2126 – suspicious incident, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2210 – subpoena service, Timberlane Dr.
2320 – 911 hang up, 48000 bl. Judd Rd.

Monday, Nov. 25:

0258 – suspicious person, Bemis/Sumpter
0710 – civil dispute, Rustic Ln.
0730 – subpoena service, Timberlane Dr.
0938 – civil dispute, 10000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
1158 – suspicious incident, Timberlane Dr.
1322 – subpoena service, Timberlane Dr.
1336 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Wear Rd.
1440 – civil dispute, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1540 – fire dept. assist, Carriage Ln.
1700 – fire dept. assist, Rustic Ln.
1741 – civil dispute, Rustic Ln.
2208 – operating while intoxicated arrest, Sumpter / Willis

Tuesday, Nov. 26:

0114 – assist other agency, Sumpter/Willow
0528 – fire dept. assist, 17000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
0831 – fire dept. assist, 46000 bl. Arkona Rd.

1017 – citizen assist, 22000 bl. Sherwood Rd.

1401 – well-being check, 8700 bl. Meadow Springs Ln.

1841 – civil dispute, Redwood

Wednesday, Nov. 27:

1225 – fire dept. assist, 46000 bl. Judd Rd.
1501 – suspicious incident, Carriage Ln.
1526 – assist other agency, Greenmeadow
1609 – alarm, 17000 bl. Lohr Rd.
2009 – threats, 43000 bl. Clay Rd.

Thursday, Nov. 28:

0602 – fire dept. assist, 46000 bl. Judd Rd.
1045 – 911 hang up, 47000 bl. Judd Rd.
1451 – civil dispute, Rustic Ln.
1627 – civil dispute, Wayside Dr.
1830 – well-being check, 44000 bl. Willow Rd.
2146 – 911 hang up, 22000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
2221 – death investigation, New Mexico

Friday, Nov. 29:

0822 – alarm, 8300 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
1040 – animal complaint, Elwell/Willow
1526 – civil dispute, Carriage Ln.
1531 – alarm, 23000 bl. Clark Rd.
1548 – 911 hang up, 44000 bl. Clay Rd.
1554 – fire dept. assist, 41000 bl. Judd Rd.
1706 – 911 hang up, 47000 bl. Judd Rd.
1740 – civil dispute, 46000 bl. Judd Rd.
1844 – warrant arrest pick up, 13000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.

2048 – suspicious person, 46000 bl. Willow Rd.

Saturday, Nov. 30:

0427 – fire dept. assist, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.
0834 – suspicious vehicle, 17000 bl. Lohr Rd.
0936 – down wires, 43000 bl. Judd Rd.
1225 – animal complaint, 22000 bl. Bohn Rd.
1602 – civil dispute, Knollwood
1645 – civil dispute, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.
1648 – civil dispute, Carriage Ln.
1852 – suspicious person, 24000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1933 – suspicious incident, 46000 bl. Judd Rd.
2013 – alarm, 28000 bl. Karr Rd.
2221 – larceny, Hampshire
2303 – fire dept. assist, Willis/Sherwood

Also on this week's log are five follow-up investigations, nine miscellaneous details, 33 patrol checks, and 43 traffic stops.

HURRY! DON'T FORGET! LAST WEEK FOR APPLICATIONS!

Belleville/Van Buren Goodfellows Applications for Assistance Will End Friday, Dec 6th

Applications to receive assistance for the 2019 Belleville/Van Buren Goodfellows Christmas Food and Toy Distribution Program will end at 3:00pm Friday, Dec 6th. Application forms are available 24/7 at the Van Buren Township Police Dept. (46425 Tyler Rd)

For your convenience, printable forms are also available online on the Van Buren Township website at www.vanburen-mi.org. Just print, fill out, sign and bring them to the Police Dept. front desk by Dec 6th at 3pm.

Program is open to Belleville City and Van Buren Township residents only (Sumpter Twp. has their own Goodfellows program).

Families may apply immediately, or pick up forms and apply later anytime 24/7 until Dec 6th at 3pm.

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Thanks to Boy Scouts for bountiful food drive

To the editor:

A big "Thank You" to the Boy Scouts of Troop #231 out of Trinity Episcopal Church of Belleville for the bountiful food drive held on Saturday, Nov. 9. The troop collected 77 bags of food for the Belleville Emergency Food Closet.

When all was unpacked, it filled four, eight-foot tables and then some. Way to go, Scouts!

Our thanks also to all those who donated food and to the Scout Leaders Mike

Holmes, Eddy Fulton, and Tammy Hall who helped make it happen.

Minette Brownlee & Marilyn Wood
Emergency Food Closet Coordinators

Birthdays

Nov. 15 – Georgia McCaughan
Nov. 26 – Dean Springer
Nov. 30 -- Shanita Williams
Dec. 3 – Michael Koppy
Dec. 7 – Cheryl Parent, Karen LaMothe,
Peggy Breen
Dec. 8 – Mary Kowal, Tom Smith
Dec. 9 -- Kathleen Springer, Drusilla
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